

Regular Session, 2010

HOUSE BILL NO. 343

BY REPRESENTATIVE WILLMOTT

1 AN ACT

2 To amend and reenact R.S. 37:935, relative to the practice of registered nursing; to provide  
3 authority for registered nurses to administer anesthetic agents through perineural  
4 catheters; and to provide for related matters.

5 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

6 Section 1. R.S. 37:935 is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

7 §935. Anesthetics; authority of registered nurses

8 Notwithstanding any other provision in this Chapter to the contrary, a  
9 registered nurse may administer, in accordance with an order of an authorized  
10 prescriber, anesthetic agents to intubated patients in critical care settings, and may  
11 titrate and continue infusion of local anesthetic agents through the use of epidural  
12 or perineural catheters for pain management, excluding obstetric patients, in  
13 accordance with rules and regulations promulgated by the Louisiana State Board of  
14 Nursing, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

15 Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not  
16 signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature  
17 by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If  
18 vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become  
19 effective on the day following such approval.

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SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

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